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Subject: Lost Faith in Justice System

To whom it may concern,

I feel compelled to write this letter to vent my frustrations regarding the Microsoft Anti-trust trial/remediation. I feel that if a stricter, more punishing remedy is not laid down against MS, they will continue to break the law well into the future. I find it laughable that a company can be found guilty of breaking the law, yet, will get off with what I percieve to be punishment that in no way will alter their behavior in the future. Why waste the money on discovery of criminal behavior if in essence we are not going to do anything about it. No company in the history of the world (to this point), has used misinformation, monopoly power, false advertising, false endorsements, and coersion to get what they want as vehemently as MS. It must be curtailed somewhere, they must be forced to play fair. The time to hand down an effective, long lasting remedy is now. If this is not done, will we be doing this all over again in 5 years. I seem to recall that they were found guilty of similar charges in the mid nineties, and that due to the weakness in the punishment, they basically were able to disregard completely the recommended practices that they had agreed to follow. Basically, left to themselves, they will continue to do whatever they want to whoever they want. As a side note, it appears that they are trying to settle their ongoing private anti-trust law suits by way of monetary/software/hardware donations to needy schools. How altruistic. Lets see, we broke the law, we will give away what for us is really quite a small amount of money, and increase our marketshare and our public perception at the same time, yup, that will ceratainly make us think twice about all the bad things we have done in the past. It is a joke. Please don't let the governments case against MS turn into a joke as well. It is extremely disheartening when a company becomes more powerful than the Justice system of the United States of America.

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